

Montello and child, Brevard, Mrs. Edgar Hunt and two small children, of Hickory Nut Gap section. Three lives also were reported lost in the flood waters below Marshall, and three boys, names yet unknown, were reported to have been lost in a small boat near Fletcher, Henderson County, yesterday afternoon.

Earlier estimates of property damage throughout the entire valley may be considerably increased when the rivers return to normal levels, which they are rapidly doing, according to a Madison County lumberman, who stated today that the losses in the flooded sections might reach \$12,000,000.

Relief work is being pushed forward in the stricken sections, and the majority of the 1,200 men who were thrown out of employment by the closing down of twenty-five industrial plants are being put to work clearing away flood wreckage and debris. All the homeless victims of the flood are being housed and fed in the city high school here.

DEATHS ARE REVEALED

Receding waters in this section already had revealed seven other deaths not known before today, according to reports reaching here tonight. Four of these were near Brevard and three in the Hickory Nut Gap section, near here.

Reports that eight persons were drowned on Sunday at Bat Cave seemingly were confirmed tonight by a telephone message from John Patrick, at Fairview, who said he heard that six women and two children were washed away at Bat Cave, and that more than half the houses in the village had been destroyed. Patrick's information, if correct, would add more deaths to the Bat Cave disaster, four having been previously reported. He could not give any names of victims. Persons in the Bat Cave section, Patrick said, were suffering for lack of food, and as highways on both sides of the town had been washed out, there was no immediate prospect of receiving relief. The Bat Cave is within two miles of Chimney Rock, N. C.

Efforts also are being made to relieve persons marooned in isolated sections around here, and tonight it was said that all the 263 passengers marooned since Sunday on the Southern Railway train near Marshall had been taken in automobiles to Marshall. Passengers who had been marooned on other trains at Tryon, Saluda, Marion and Connelly Springs also have been taken off, according to railroad officials.

It was said that there was much suffering among the passengers on the train near Marshall, babies in particular lacking milk and proper food, and it was feared for a time the water would reach the train.

TO SEARCH CATAWBA RIVER

FOR BODIES OF MISSING CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 18.—With ten men who went down on the Southern Railway's Catawba River bridge at Belmont on Sunday afternoon still unaccounted for, searchers tomorrow will go many miles down the river in boats on a hunt for bodies. In addition to the four railway men who were saved and two rescuers brought out of tree tops to the Charlotte side of the river on Monday by two negroes, Penn, Ross and P. H. Stone, word was brought over the river from the Gastonia side today of three other rescues. W. L. Fortune, of Kings Mountain, section foreman Julius White, of Charlotte, and Evans Brown, of Rockwell, S. C., negro laborers, being the men saved.

White arrived in Charlotte tonight, a hero among members of his race, but he received scant attention as compared with Ross and Stone, who rescued the more than 500 men made today, in sums ranging from 25 cents to \$10, by white persons of Charlotte towards a purse to be given Ross and Stone. The subscription list will be kept open all this week.

The Southern Railway officials announced today the following employees who were working on the Belmont bridge as unaccounted for:

H. P. Griffin, supervisor, Charlotte; C. S. Barber, section foreman, Charlotte; C. W. Klutz and J. N. Gordon, derickmen, Charlotte; and R. E. Scott, Rock Hill; Tom Davis, Jureau, Daniel Heath, Jureau, Sloan Adams, Charles, and Tom Adwood, McGee, S. C., negro laborers.

COTTON MILLS PLANT

COMPLETELY DESTROYED The river had receded sufficiently today for passenger-carrying skiffs and bateaus to cross at Mount Holly, a few miles above Belmont, and first information of damage to the west side of the river was received. The greatest single loss in that section was the complete destruction of the five-story Armon Cotton Mills plant, at Mount Holly, the main mill building, warehouses, tenant houses, etc., being entirely washed away. All occupants of the mill village escaped to high ground, and there was no loss of life.

The river at Mount Holly showed a fall of forty feet in nine inches, above low water mark, when the flood was at its crest. At Belmont the high mark was fifty-two feet.

Textile men reported today that, except for the loss of the Armon mills, damage was almost altogether in the loss of material in warehouses or in process of manufacture and water damage, due to submersion of machinery and buildings.

The Southern Power Company must make great haste at the Lookout Shoals and Catawba power plants, where the river washed around the concrete dams and cut new channels. Apple power tonight is being received from the Tallulah Falls plant of the power company to supply needs in this section.

Work was begun today driving piling for a temporary bridge at Belmont, and it is promised this will be ready for Southern train within a week.

The problem of moving traffic to and from the South was further complicated today by the washing away, near Camden, S. C., of the Seaboard Air Line bridge over the Watauga River, into which the Catawba flows. Farmers throughout the Catawba and Yadkin valleys have lost heavily, thousands of acres having been submerged, destroying growing crops and leaving the ground in such condition that it will be impossible to plant and harvest new crops this season. This is expected to have a marked effect on

food supplies in this section during the late summer and fall.

GREAT PROPERTY DAMAGE

ALONG UPPER YADKIN WINSTON-SALEM, July 18.—Reports from the flooded districts on the upper Yadkin River indicate that the damage to property is even greater than at first reported, although no estimate can be made yet as to the amount of damage.

The branch line of the Southern Railway, following the course of the Yadkin River for fifty miles to North Wilkesboro, as so torn up that it probably will take a month to repair the damage.

General Superintendent Simpson is making a trip on foot and on horseback along the line, and had reached Elkin yesterday at noon, when he sent a message that he found conditions worse the further up the river he proceeded. All the small bridges over streams running into the Yadkin have been washed away, the tracks undermined, and in many places standing on edges, some distance from the roadbed.

A report from Wilkesboro states that the potato plants of Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro were washed away, and that the supply of kerosene has been exhausted, leaving the towns in darkness. The water situation is bad, the systems having been carried away. The two buildings at the fair grounds, the Wilson Lumber Company's building, the entire plant of the planning mills and one of the Shell Chair Company's buildings were carried off, and practically all of the twenty or twenty-five houses between the railroad and the river were carried away or moved some distance.

The entire line of the Watauga and Yadkin River Railroad, twenty-five miles westward from North Wilkesboro, is a complete wreck, according to this report, and doubt is entertained as to its being rebuilt.

Reports from Elkin today indicate that practically everything between the river and the railroad was carried away, causing property damage of probably more than \$200,000.

The Yadkin River is gradually lowering, but is still about ten feet above normal water. Rains last night held it at about fifteen feet above normal for several hours today.

CONDITIONS ARE IMPROVING

IN GREENSBORO SECTION

GREENSBORO, N. C., July 18.—Flood conditions in this section continued to show improvement today. The Southern Railway's main-line bridge across the Yadkin River at Spencer, for which fears were entertained last night, withstood the flood, and with the Yadkin River rapidly receding at that point tonight, all danger that the bridge would be carried away has passed.

TRAIN SERVICE SUSPENDED

UNTIL MIDDLE OF AUGUST

BRISTOL, VA., July 18.—Due to washouts in the Blue Ridge Gorge, it is announced that trains will not be operated over the Blue Ridge on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railway before August 15.

The through fast trains between Washington and Atlanta, via North Carolina, now are being routed via Bristol and from here over the Norfolk and Western to Lynchburg. This arrangement probably will be necessary for two weeks.

VILLAGE OF CHIMNEY ROCK

IS DESTROYED BY FLOOD

SPARTANBURG, S. C., July 18.—The village of Chimney Rock, N. C., has been destroyed by high water, according to reports reaching here tonight. The hotel and several of the dwellings of the town are in the bottom forty feet below, on Broad River, near the Cox plantation. There has been loss of life, but the extent is unknown. The buildings have not been reached, but with the exception of a dog on the roof of one, there is no sign of life. There was a population of 150 at Chimney Rock. The Chimney Rock highway has been destroyed.

STORIES OF DESTRUCTION

FROM MORGANTOWN DISTRICT

STATESVILLE, N. C., July 18.—The first word of disaster from a flood-stricken region between this place and Morganton and along the Carolina and Northwestern Railway to Lenoir, reached here late today, when several persons who were aboard passenger train No. 21 Saturday, the last train to pass over the Catawba River at Catawba Station, near here, came into Statesville on a hand car. They told stories of destruction to roads, bridges, railroad track and manufacturing plants from here to Morganton. The passengers were marooned near Connelly Springs on Saturday night. This morning they walked back to the Catawba River and crossed in a skiff, and then came here.

Hickory, which has been cut off completely since Saturday night, is without flour or sugar. Business men estimate the crop and property damage in that section at \$2,000,000. At Rhodessa, a mill town, the loss is put at \$300,000. One of the men said that a trackman, who had worked through from Marion by walking and by hand car, declared that from Bridge, water in flood practically all of the Southern Railway track was washed away.

It was stated by the marooned passengers that fields were devastated and crops ruined for seventy-five miles up the river. Two lives are known to have been lost in the Catawba County section. John Pope, a young man, was drowned near Hickory, and another man drowned at Newton.

At Morganton on Sunday, a young man earned a reward of \$125, for a float in the middle of the current on the roof of his storehouse. He offered a reward of \$125 for a skiff to rescue. Will Clark, tipped up a skiff and succeeded in rescuing the man. The reward was paid in cash. A report here from a man who worked his way from Rhodessa to the effect that the Carolina and Northwestern Railway is almost completely washed away. Bridges are all gone.

SOUTHERN WILL RESUME

SERVICE TO ASHEVILLE TODAY

KNOXVILLE, TENN., July 18.—The Tennessee River, which drains all of East Tennessee west of the Appalachian Mountains, reached its crest in Knoxville at noon today, when the gauge showed thirty feet. Tonight at 6 o'clock there had been a drop of three feet, and the weather morning normal conditions. It has been reached. Damage done by high water in this immediate section will be small, consisting mainly of damage to crops. With the waters receding in all East Tennessee, river navigation of workmen will soon rebuild stretches of damaged railroad tracks.

repair culverts and build temporary trestles where damage has been done by bridges, or the have been washed away. The Southern Railway expects to resume its service to Asheville on Wednesday.

STREAMS NEAR LYNCHBURG

BECOME RAGING TORRENTS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LYNCHBURG, VA., July 18.—A rain that was practically a cloud-burst continued for several hours last night, beginning about 2 o'clock in the section of Campbell and Bedford Counties northwest of Lynchburg. This morning the small streams of that section were raging torrents. Ivy Creek filled the valley through which it runs from hill to hill. Old residents declare they do not recall seeing the water so high. Cornfields were covered, and some damage will be done to the standing corn.

Ivy Creek caused Blackwater Creek to rise higher than it has been for a long time, but little damage was done, because of the deep bed of the creek through the city to the James River. The river has risen several feet and is now standing about six feet.

DESTITUTE FAMILIES

NEED ASSISTANCE ROME, GA., July 18.—Reports received here tonight indicate that destitute families will need assistance in Floyd County as a result of the flooded farmlands on which many of them are tenants. Landowners were said to be helping some of the families. No definite estimate of crop damage in this section was available here tonight.

RAILROADS REPAIRING

DAMAGE DONE BY FLOOD

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Having its train service suspended, the waters were within a few inches of covering the tracks, but the crest of the flood had passed before it reached the road's territory.

The Norfolk and Western and Virginian Railroads had large forces of men at work yesterday in reconstructing the damaged lines, but little information as to their losses could be had in Richmond. A railroad circles, where there is always keen competition, it was stated that the roads were keeping as secret as possible, in a large measure, the extent of their troubles. Coal men were especially interested in the matter, as there is a large demand throughout the country at this time that is hard to fill, without any shortage of railroad facilities to haul the product.

GUARD HIT IN MANY PLACES

SAYS FAIRFAX HARRISON

President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern, issued the following statement last night from his offices in Washington:

"While we have been hard hit by the flood, especially on the Catawba River and the Western North Carolina mountains, the first reports of the damage are greatly exaggerated. Water is falling everywhere today. We have assembled large forces of men and ample supplies everywhere there has been trouble, and have already begun the work of repairing our lines, which will be pushed promptly."

"It is yet impossible to estimate the time or cost involved, but the real difference between this flood and the previous ones in the same territory is that it has hit us in more places at once, and we are better prepared to restore normal conditions."

Local Southern officials stated last night that they had been advised that the water in practically all sections in which the road was affected was falling, and that it was expected that actual reconstruction work on a comprehensive scale would be started today. The officials rushed a special train of twenty-five cars, loaded with piling, out of Richmond last night for Winston-Salem. Ten of these cars will be for use on the Asheville division, and fifteen on the Winston-Salem section, out from Rural Hall, and to Wilkesboro, along which the Yadkin River caused tremendous damage.

TRAINLOADS OF RAILS AND

TIES ARE FORWARDED

A second train was loaded with steel rails on the Keyville-Durham line and sent into the section. Both of these trains were routed through Durham, being unable to pass by way of Danville, into the locked area. The road is continuing to load locomotives at West Point. Two special trains, one from West Point and the other from Keyville, will be sent out today.

No trains were being operated south of Charlotte last night, but it was expected that the Charlotte-Spartanburg line would be open in two or three days. So far as was known in this city, there was only one break in this stretch of track—that caused by the destruction of the bridge over the Catawba River.

Atlantic Coast Line officials said last night that all their lines were open, but there were men who congested by reason of the fact that several of the other roads are being accommodated in the emergency, and the lines are being used for diverting passenger and supply trains.

SEABOARD AIR LINE LOSSES

CATAWBA RIVER BRIDGE

When the waters of upper Catawba River rushed further south yesterday, they carried away the Seaboard Air Line bridge on its main line between Columbia and Hamlet. The destruction of this structure blocked the road's special New York to Florida through trains. The waters of the river were reported to be falling, and it was anticipated that rebuilding would be under way in a few hours.

Local officials sent out a special train of materials and workmen last night, which will be consolidated at Norfolk with a special from Portsmouth. The Seaboard's No. 2 from Jacksonville, which is due to arrive in Richmond this morning at 5:20 o'clock, was being run only from as far south as Hamlet, N. C.

Efforts were made yesterday to divert several of the trains over the line of the Atlantic Coast Line, meeting with only partial success because of congested conditions. Two trains, Nos. 3 and 4, which were due to arrive in Raleigh at 9:50 o'clock yesterday afternoon and 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, were postponed last night "somewhere in South Carolina." Local officials had been advised that it was not known when the trains would reach their destination.

ALL WESTERN UNION

MEN ACCOUNTED FOR

The Western Union Telegraph Company is making strenuous efforts to get its lines back into working condition, and large quantities of supplies

were shipped out of Richmond yesterday and last night. Great difficulty is being experienced at the Catawba River by the line men, as they are unable to secure boats from which to work. All the boats in the section were swept away along with the bridges, and the men are improvising the best makeshifts they can.

P. E. Ramsey, general foreman of construction of the company, said last night that all workmen reported missing had been accounted for, and that the men were standing up well under the heavy strain. The company has 500 men with all the larger cities in the affected districts, but in many instances it is necessary to divert messages by way of Western and Northern cities.

VIRGINIA BOYS PAID OFF

Members of First Regiment Elated at Opening of Canteen.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, July 18.—General Bliss and Brigadier-General Parker were in camp today holding an inspection. During the afternoon the men were paid off by Captain Britton, of the quartermaster corps, U. S. A. There were no drills today, the men all being busy building mess halls and doing sanitary work, also working on the road leading to the camp and looking after the drainage of the grounds. There were sandstorms in the vicinity today.

Eight more regiments are expected tonight and tomorrow from Louisiana, Oklahoma and South Dakota. The First Regiment canteen opened today, the boys spending all their loose change in little luxuries they have not enjoyed since leaving Richmond.

The hour for exercise has been changed from 5:30 A. M. to 5 o'clock. Long hikes, in heavy marching order, will begin next week. All the consignments of horses have not arrived yet, and members of the regimental staff are still unmounted.

DUKE NOT IN RACE

Efforts Now Being Made to Clear Way for Harrison's Nomination for Hay's Seat.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, D. C., July 18.—Following Judge R. T. W. Duke's announcement that he would not seek Representative James Hay's seat in Congress, efforts are now being made to clear the field for the nomination of Judge Thomas W. Harrison, of Winchester, in the Seventh District. Judge Duke's announcement, it is stated, will not have a candidate, and that they will give the Valley counties an opportunity to nominate their favorite son.

Persistent rumors continue that State Senator Downing, of Front Royal, will be a candidate, but reports reached Washington today that some of the Warren County leaders favor Harrison, and may not support Downing. This may induce the State Senator not to announce his candidacy.

KING COMMENDS ARMY

Sends Congratulations to Soldiers on Successes They Have Achieved Against Germans.

LONDON, July 18.—King George today sent the following message to General Sir Douglas Haig, commanding the British troops on the Franco-Belgian front:

"The continued successful advance of my troops fills me with admiration, and I send my best wishes to all ranks. The Emperor of Russia has asked me to convey his warm congratulations to the troops upon the great success they have achieved."

(Signed) "GEORGE R. I." General Haig replied as follows:

"The British armies in France offer most respectful and grateful thanks for this further mark of Your Majesty's gracious appreciation of what they have achieved. They also respectfully beg that their grateful acknowledgments be conveyed to the Emperor of Russia for His Majesty's congratulations."

DEATH OF YOUNG WOMAN

FOLLOWED BY SHOOTING

BAITMORE, MD., July 18.—Dr. Wilfred E. Harris, president of the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy, today was shot and probably mortally wounded by Dr. Eldridge T. Atwood, of Westbury. The shooting occurred two hours after Miss Celia Adams, of Brookline, the alleged sweetheart of Dr. Atwood, had died from taking an overdose of a drug. According to the police, Dr. Atwood said Miss Adams told him that Dr. Harris had wronged her.

Dr. Atwood disappeared after the shooting, but was later arrested, after a brief struggle at the office of his fiancée.

An empty five-chambered revolver and a razor, which the police say, Dr. Atwood admitted he intended to use on his victim, were taken from the prisoner. He was locked up on a charge of assault and battery with intent to murder.

MILLION-DOLLAR ORDER

FOR ARTIFICIAL LIMBS

NEW YORK, July 18.—Manufacturers in this city received a million-dollar order today for artificial limbs, to be used by soldiers of Australia and New Zealand crippled at the Darfanelles and on the French front. The money was raised for this purpose by popular subscription in the British colonies of the Antipodes.

Bearing the order came J. W. McGregor, of Adelaide, chairman of the South Australia Soldiers' Fund.

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Court Dismisses Sir Roger's Appeal

Slight Chance Left That Noted Prisoner May Escape Paying Death Penalty.

LONDON, July 18.—Without hearing the attorneys for the crown, the Court of Criminal Appeal today dismissed Sir Roger Casement's appeal from the verdict of the lower court which found him guilty of treason, for which Viscount Reading, the Lord Chief Justice, sentenced him to death.

For a day and a half Alexander Sullivan, Sir Roger's counsel, argued before the court, quoting many authorities in favor of his contention that the offense of treason depended upon whether the accused dwelt under the protection of the king and that the crime could not be committed without the realm. He abandoned his other points in regard to the Lord Chief Justice's definition of the offense.

As soon as Mr. Sullivan had concluded his argument, the court retired to consider whether the attorneys for the crown would be called on to reply. It soon decided to the contrary, which indicated that the appeal had gone against Sir Roger, who was present during the argument and when judgment was given.

A further appeal is possible only if the Attorney-General gives a certificate that the decision of the Court of Criminal Appeal involves a point of law so exceptionally important that it is desirable in the public interest that a still higher court should deal with it. This has been done only twice since the Court of Criminal Appeal was established eight years ago.

The court was thronged today at the resumption of proceedings in the appeal of Sir Roger against the sentence of execution for high treason in connection with his participation in the Dublin uprising.

Justice Darling, in delivering the judgment, expressed the indecision of the court to Mr. Sullivan for his well-considered and well-delivered arguments as to justice, adding that they were worthy of the best trial in the history of the law.

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formed, and Mrs. Vanderbilt has telegraphed to the wives of ranking officers of the National Guard living in other cities asking their co-operation.

A scheme for the organization of local committees in the towns and cities of the State has been arranged, and through those committees help for all who need it will be given immediately. Wherever practicable, the auxiliary will endeavor to furnish employment to the members of the guardsmen's families who desire to work rather than accept aid otherwise.

Nicholas Biddle, a director of the United States Mortgage and Trust Company, was named treasurer of the organization.

The local committees throughout the State are to be organized under the direction of R. K. Forsyth, and he will endeavor to have each committee act independently, with funds to be furnished by the general committee when necessary. Field representatives, it was announced, are already at work, and already sixty families have made application for assistance and received it.—New York Telegram.

Conference Report Approved. WASHINGTON, July 18.—The conference report on the annual post-office appropriation bill was approved by both the Senate and House today and sent to President Wilson.

W. W. Heard Resigns. WASHINGTON, July 18.—W. W. Heard, Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New Orleans, has resigned. At the Treasury Department it was said Mr. Heard quit to engage in his own business, and that his resignation would be effective on the appointment of a successor.

Infantile Paralysis Check. NEW YORK, July 18.—To prevent infantile paralysis here from spreading to other States, all persons leaving New York City will be required to furnish certificates setting forth that the premises in which they live, or have lived, are not, or have not been, affected by the disease. It was announced here tonight by Dr. Charles E. Banks, senior surgeon of the United States Public Health Service.

Dr. Banks asserted that government physicians would be stationed at all railroad stations to enforce the new regulations.

Sinking of Vessel. ANNOUNCED BY LLOYDS LONDON, July 18.—Lloyd's announces that the British steamer Wiltshire has been sunk. She was unarmed.

Available shipping records do not contain the recent movements of the Wiltshire, which was last reported at an Indian port. She was of 3,357 tons. She was built at Sunderland in 1901 and was owned by the Wiltshire Steamship Company, Ltd., of Bristol.

To Probe Ellis Island. WASHINGTON, July 18.—Representative Bennett of New York, introduced a resolution today calling on the Secretary of Labor for information regarding conditions at the Ellis Island Immigration Station. He criticized the opening of the station's recreation grounds to both men and women, declaring it had a bad moral effect.

Gunpowder in Medicine. The use of gunpowder as a medicine was very widely advocated in the eighteenth century, and either taken inwardly or applied externally, was held to be a specific against rheumatism and ague. In the "Complete Housewife or Accomplished Gentlewoman's Companion," a domestic pharmacopoeia published in 1742, appears the following remedy for rheumatism:

"Let the party take of the finest glazed gunpowder as much as a large thimble may hold, wet it in a spoon with milk from the cow and drink a good half pint of warm milk after it; be covered warm in bed and sweat; give it fasting about 7 in the morning and take this nine or ten mornings together."—London Chronicle.

PRESIDENT TO DESIGNATE DAY OF AID FOR ARMENIANS WASHINGTON, July 18.—A concurrent resolution declaring that there are several hundreds of thousands of Armenians in need of food, clothing

and shelter in the countries now at war, and requesting the President to designate a day on which Americans may express their sympathy by contributing to the funds now being raised for their relief, was adopted today by the House. It has already been passed by the Senate. The Foreign Affairs Committee was advised that a day in October probably will be named.</